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TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

SUBJECT: TRANSIT BUS FLEET RULE WORKSHOP

At a public hearing held in San Diego March 21, 2002, the Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) directed staff to modify the Transit Bus Fleet Rule in response to technology availability for the control of particulate matter (PM) emissions. In response, ARB staff conducted public workshops in Sacramento on May 3, 2002 and in El Monte on May 9, 2002, presenting several initial concepts to modify the existing regulation. Industry representatives and the public attended and provided comments on the transit bus rule proposals.

ARB staff is currently developing the Initial Statement of Reasons for the transit bus rule and regulatory modifications to be presented to the Board in September 2002. Staff will conduct a workshop to present these changes to all interested stakeholders at the time and location listed below. The purpose of the workshop is to present staff's recommended proposal for modifying the current fleet rule and to provide stakeholders the opportunity to comment on the proposal.

Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2002

Time: 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Location: Air Resources Board
Annex IV Auditorium
9528 Telstar Avenue
El Monte, California 91731

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Participation by teleconference will be available. To receive teleconferencing information **contact Mr. Juan Osborn by June 9, 2002, at (626) 575-6998 or by e-mail at <mailto:josborn@arb.ca.gov>**. This facility is accessible to persons with disabilities. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may call the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) at (916) 324-9531 or call (800) 700-8326 for TDD calls from outside the Sacramento area.

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